

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 07 2009

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No: 10/712,073  
Confirmation No: 7922  
Applicant: Beth E. Drees  
Filing Date: November 13, 2003  
Group Art Unit: 1641  
Examiner: Gary W. Counts  
Attorney Docket No: 007262-30 US  
Customer No: 36,234

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE****37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the non-final Office Action having a mailing date of January 7, 2009, in which a shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire three months from the mailing date of the Office Action. This response is hereby filed with a request for a three-month extension of time and a \$555.00 fee. In the event that any additional fee is deemed necessary or overpayment due in connection with this response, the undersigned authorizes the charge or credit, as the case may be, be applied to Deposit Account No. 502679.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Please reconsider the application as follows:

Application No. 10/712,073

Page 1 of 9

Attorney Docket No: 007262-30 US